

BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100 50 20 YEARS AGO

(Taken from the Files of The Evening Farmer)

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

BURR, THE LEADING GROCER.

Samuel Burr & Son have just received large additions to their stock of groceries, which with those before on hand, make their assortment as complete and as good as can be found in this place. The following, among many other articles, are the freshest importations: viz.:

Hyson, young-hyson, hyson-skin, Seuchong, and Bohea teas; loaf, lump, Muscovado and Havanna sugars; Lisbon, Teneriff and Colman's sugars; Cognac and elder brandy; St. Croix, Antigua, Jamaica, Grenada and Port wine; Sherry, and India Point gin; Havana, Aux-chols and Martell's molasses; Bourbon and Java coffees; Muskatel, Bloom and Smyrna raisins; currants, chocolate, ginger, pepper, pimento, cinnamon, nutmegs, cloves, mace, indigo, starch, mustard, rice; Martin's, Woodville's, New Orleans and American segars; Macabean and Scotch snuff; junk, paper, tobacco, salt petre, cotton, redwood, logwood, Nicaragua, laum, copers, F. O. Brandywine and English double-battle powder, shot, Hull's best soap, Hull's best soap for shaving, Windsor shaving soap of good quality, mould and dipt candles, etc.

Crockery and Hardware. As the above articles were bought for cash, at a low rate, the subscribers flatter themselves that they can sell, at least, as low as their neighbors.

Also 400 bushels of Turke Island salt; four barrels of live Liverpool salt; 30 quintals of good codfish; a constant supply of Baltimore and New York flour, by the barrel or less quantity. Located at Bridgeport Center.

NEW CROCKERY AND GLASS.

New crockery and glass warehouse, wholesale and retail. Hinman, Sterling & Hyde, by the ship Minerva Smith, Allen, have received from Liverpool a general assortment of crockery and glassware, consisting of the following articles:

Four hundred dozen green and blue edged and cream colored plates, of all sizes; 400 dozen Liverpool and enameled tea dishes, coffee cups and saucers; 30 dozen blue and green edged oval dishes; 20 dozen tea pots and various patterns; 20 dozen chambers; 40 dozen bowls, painted and cream color; 30 dozen mugs, painted and cream color; 40 dozen pitchers, painted and cream color, assorted sizes; 60 dozen sugar bowls, cream, with bowls, sauce boats, salad dishes, salt cellars, pepper boxes, and coffee pots.

Also gold and silver lustered ware; 1,200 single and double tint tumblers, quart, pint and half pint; 30 dozen wine glasses, plain and engraved; 250 plain and engraved quart and pint decanters; 10 dozen salt and vinegar cruets.

The above articles will be disposed of by the quantity, at the regular New York prices. Go and see Hinman, Sterling & Hyde at the centrally located warehouse in Bridgeport.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

A MEAN THIEF.

Some miserable sneak thief, on Sunday night, broke into the cellar of Sunday Burns, a resident of East Bridgeport, having a very large family to support, and stole two hams and a layer of pork from the pork barrel. A thief mean enough to do such a wretched thing is too miserable a rogue to deserve even denunciation.

THAT CROOKED STEEPLE.

The steeple of the North Congregational church, bent over by the heavy blow some weeks ago, has been righted again, and is now as straight and strong as ever. Mr. Boardman, the joiner, thinks it stronger than ever. Many supposed that it could never be straightened.

SKATING BY MOONLIGHT.

Parties enjoyed skating by moonlight on Pembroke lake, and surrounding ponds last night. Large numbers of skaters enjoyed the pleasures of the ice. The moon shines tonight—unless incensed by the large family to support, and stole two hams and a layer of pork from the pork barrel. A thief mean enough to do such a wretched thing is too miserable a rogue to deserve even denunciation.

THE NEW STEAMBOAT CO.

The steamboat company recently formed in this city have purchased the steamer Bridgeport. She is to be delivered to them Feb. 15, and will immediately resume her trips between New York and this city.

Charles Rockwell has been employed to take the superintendency of the boats and we believe he will give general satisfaction. For a number of years he has been employed in the freight department of the New York & New Haven railroad, and was equally attained there will stand him in good stead.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

HALPIN'S HEROIC ACT.

While Dorman "Jim" Halpin was standing at the depot last night, waiting for a train for New Haven where he was to attend the police department ball he saved the life of a stranger who was backing from one track to another in front of an approaching train. Policeman Halpin grabbed the fellow by the coat and pulled him away just in time to prevent him falling under the wheels of the ponderous locomotive. This morning the genial doorman was loath to admit that he had saved the stranger's life, modestly insisting that Roundman Hackett and Policemen Ward, Cooley and Giddens were equally as active as he. The stranger's name was not ascertained.

THREE CANDIDATES FOR JOBS.

Friends of Attorney Edward F. Hallen are circulating petitions in his behalf asking Judge Walsh to appoint him prosecuting attorney of the criminal common pleas court to succeed the late Judge Glover. It is said that Attorney John C. Chamberlain, of this city, and Attorney John H. Light, of Norwalk, are also candidates for the position.

WHEEL CLUB ASSEMBLY. The Bridgeport Wheel club held

another of their popular assembly dances at Masonic hall, last evening. There were about 50 couples present. Among the out-of-town guests were Miss Chase, of Hartford; Miss Jennings, of Southport, and Miss May Clark, of Montreal. Jerome May's Banjo club provided music and were obliged to respond to many encores.

PROBATE NOTES.

Appraisers George W. Warner and William H. Rockwell filed their inventory on the estate of the late Mrs. Julia Curtis this forenoon. The total valuation is placed at \$54,373.88, as follows: Real estate, \$1,642.60 and personal estate, \$52,731.28. The report of Dwight H. Terry and Philip L. Holzer, appraisers of the estate of Abby J. Baldwin, who also filed this morning. The estate is valued at \$23,980.31, the real estate being quoted at \$15,200, and personal estate at \$18,780.31.

THE A. O. H. FAIR.

Large crowds are nightly flocking to Lyceum hall where the annual fair of Division 7, A. O. H., is being held. This evening Co. F, Hibernian Rifles, will give an exhibition drill and it is needless to say that they alone will draw a large crowd to the hall. Friday evening Bob Beatty and Billy Grimes will give a boxing exhibition. The voting contest for the most popular lady in the city stands as follows: M. Cummings, 85; A. Handley, 80; M. Gilbert, 59; M. Shannon, 61; K. Kenney, 41; A. Healey, 35; M. Bannick, 21.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Brewer Charles H. Hartmann, who was believed to be recovering from his attack of heart rheumatism, has suffered a relapse and is again very low. At one time yesterday death seemed imminent but the patient rallied and was a little improved last evening.

Senator William H. Marigold, who has been severely ill with the quinsy, is again attending to business.

Terrance Rogers, brother of Jim Rogers, the star first baseman of the Boston Red Sox, will be given a trial by Rochester this coming season. Terrence played short for the Victors last year and highly distinguished himself.

ST. ALOYSIUS' DANCE.

The concert and soiree of the St. Aloysius Temperance society at Madison hall last evening was a most successful affair, financially and socially. The concert program included solos and selections by Miss Lizzie O'Connor, Charles Flaherty, Archie Gilmore, Robert Weber, Thomas Arnold and Master Porter. The grand march was led by William F. Brennan and Miss McKenna, and was participated in by about 150 couples. Dancing continued until 2 o'clock this morning.

MR. BALDWIN'S CONDITION.

No new symptoms of an unfavorable nature have manifested themselves in the condition of Charles F. Baldwin, who sustained such a frightful fall at T. Hawley & Co.'s hardware store, yesterday morning. His physicians have every hope of his ultimate recovery.

THE HORTON BOXING BILL.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 23, 1896—Assemblyman Horton introduced his bill yesterday which failed passage last year, to prohibit sparring exhibitions. The bill is somewhat changed in form as it now allows athletic clubs which are incorporated and own houses to hold boxing exhibitions.

Mr. Horton expects the bill to pass this year and hopes to prevent what he calls "bushy" matches in theatres and public halls.

The bill provides as follows:

"A person who, within this state, engages in, instigates, aids, encourages or does any act to further a contention, or fight, or fight with weapons, between two or more persons, or fight commonly called a ring, or prize fight, either within or without the state, or who engages in a public or private boxing exhibition, with or without gloves, within this state, which an admission fee is charged, or received, either directly or indirectly, or who sends or publishes a challenge for such contention, exhibition or fight, or carries or delivers such challenge or acceptance, or trains or assists any person in training or preparing for such contention, exhibition or fight, is guilty of a misdemeanor. It is provided, however, that sparring exhibitions, with gloves, of not less than four ounces each in weight, may be held in a building owned by an incorporated athletic association."

THEIR SILVER WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meyer, of 14 Reilly street, celebrated their silver wedding night before last in the presence of their children and relatives, and a large number of friends. Among the remembrances were a handsome silver water pitcher from Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wintner; silver tea service from members of Bertha lodge, and many other costly and useful gifts. While the old folks amused themselves chatting and recalling old times, the young people danced and sang, and otherwise enjoyed themselves.

BRIDGEPORT WAS REPRESENTED.

Roundman Peter Hackett and Policemen Cooley, Ward and "Al" Gouden attended the annual ball of the New Haven police department last evening. As usual Doorman "Jimmy" Halpin was on deck at the annual ball.

GREEK PARLEY PROGRESSING.

Paris, Jan. 24—Reuter's correspondent at Athens says that he can state on good authority that negotiations between Greece and entente powers are progressing favorably and are nearing a conclusion.

Frank M. Baker, of Oswego, N. Y., former state railroad commissioner, died at his home.

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RUSSIANS PROTEST AMERICAN'S RELIEF FOR THEIR ENEMIES

Object to Treatment Given Austria-Germans in Manchuria Neighborhood.

Peking, Jan. 24—Russian officials and the representatives of other Entente powers in Harbin, have found much fault with the way the United States has administered war relief to Germans and Austrians in the portions of Manchuria close to Harbin. Complaints have been made that Charles K. Moser, the American consul at Harbin, has rendered assistance to German prisoners who escaped from Russian prison camps.

The Russian position in administering relief to Germans and Austrians in Harbin is that Harbin is Chinese territory, and consequently United States officials, as neutrals, are under obligation to administer to the wants of all Germans and Austrians who are in need, regardless of what part they have taken in the war.

Mr. Moser recently paid a visit to Peking, and discussed the relief work at Harbin with Dr. Rusch, the American minister, and Chinese officials. The Chinese have never taken a firm position in their resistance to the capture of Germans and Austrians who escape from Siberia into Manchuria, and it is not likely that they will do so. German prisoners who have escaped into Mongolia and Manchuria have frequently been recaptured on Chinese soil by Russian soldiers and taken back into Russian territory. Escaped prisoners have been even seized at Mukden and taken from railway trains.

The German and Austrian legations in Peking have protested against China's failure to protect the subjects of these two countries on neutral soil, but without results.

Ever since the opening of Harbin to foreign trade, its status has been much disputed by the Russians. At first they insisted that the treaty port was located on the river a number of miles from the present city. This position was not concurred in by the United States and other powers. When the United States consulate was first opened at Harbin, some ten years ago, representatives of the United States suffered many indignities, and efforts were made to discourage the development of Harbin as a treaty port. Russia, however, maintains a consul at Harbin and by so doing has justified in a measure the action of other powers.

A constant effort has always been made by Russia to discourage the idea that the present city of Harbin is Chinese territory. Being such an important center on the Trans-Siberian Railway, the Russians have always endeavored to maintain as strong a hold as possible upon the city. Without actually declaring their ownership, they have endeavored to create the impression that Harbin is Russian territory.

Until the opening of the present war they were strenuously opposed in this position by other European powers. However, with the entrance of the Entente into the struggle against Germany and her allies, Great Britain and France have changed their attitude somewhat because of the questions directly connected with the war which have arisen in China. Several who desire to continue in trade in Manchuria and Mongolia, and who have no part in the disputes arising over the war problems have shown no disposition to acquiesce in the Russian position.

Americans Pay Their Respects To Memory of Baron Kikkawa

Tokio Jan. 24—Hosts of American friends as well as Japanese are paying tribute to the memory of Baron Chokichi Kikkawa who died here December 23. Baron Kikkawa, who is a graduate of Harvard University, did much to create a broader mutual understanding between Japan and the United States. He was one of the founders of the Harvard Club of Japan, and one of the organizers of the movement to send Japanese professors to Harvard to give a course of lectures on Japanese life and philosophy. Baron Kikkawa is a descendant of a feudal lord of Chosha prominent in the days of Hideyoshi, the "Napoleon of Japan." He was one of the most noted members of the House of Peers and was an authority on finance. For some years he was attached to the foreign office and at one time served as secretary of the embassy at Berlin.

The floods in North Holland are subsiding.

President Wilson has signed the nomination of John J. Slinnot to be postmaster at Newark.

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Gift Watches

No parent, employer, club or friends could choose a more appropriate gift than a good time piece. The frequency with which a watch is consulted makes it extremely personal and keeps the giver in constant association. We handle only such makes and grades as we can recommend. A 20 per cent. reduction is allowed on all our watches and jewelry until further notice.

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JEW OF AMERICA READY TO BESPEAK WORLD TOLERANCE

Western Convention Strike Keynote of Unexampled Sacrifice in Present War and Urge International Demand For Rights.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 24—Plans for calling a congress that would represent all Jews in America that would take steps to settle for all time the "Jewish question" in Europe and other continents, were begun here today at a convention of Jewish organizations of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin. The convention was the result of a call issued by a recent gathering of the Knights of Zion and nearly a score of other organizations responded by sending delegates.

There were three sessions of today's convention. The morning meeting was routine in character, heard welcoming addresses and a "keynote" speech, and appointed committees. In the afternoon resolutions were in order and among them was one directing that the Jews "like all other peoples of the earth are in any country and under any government endowed with the inalienable rights of equality before the law and all other citizens, and subjects of that nation or government."

It pointed out that the end of the world war would be an acceptable time at which to settle the question of discrimination against the Jews and that members of the race had proved their rights to such settlement "by their unexampled sacrifices and suffering in the present war as well as in times past." The preamble added:

"Until peace comes the Jews of America must speak for the Jews of the World."

Other resolutions presented to the convention dealt with the Palestinian question and the problem of caring for Jewish immigrants to the United States, especially influx of the latter that is expected at the close of the war. Tonight's session debated the advisability of organizing a permanent congress of Jewish organizations for the states of the middle west.

Cigar Trade Between U. S. and Possessions Is Growing Rapidly

Manila, P. I., Jan. 24—The cigar trade between the Philippines and the United States is growing rapidly. A comparative statement issued by the Collector of Internal Revenue for the periods of January to November, 1914, and 1915, shows an increase in exports to American consumers of 5,008,499 cigars. During these months of 1914 the total shipments amounted to 47,972,950 and in 1915 to 52,980,549.

February was the month of largest increase when 9,120,487 cigars were shipped as against 4,987,703 in 1914. January and March showed small advance. July and September increased about a million each. August two million while October fell off over 2,500,000.

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NO DOUBT about the freshness and quality of the FISH on sale here. It is in excellent condition when offered. These fish are best for the table now.

Tile Fish, Spanish Mackerel, Halibut, Sea Trout, Cod, Smelt, Salmon, Striped Bass.

George Casibray, aged 105, died at his home at Mobile.

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REVOLUTIONISTS GIVE THEM JOBS ON STAGE IN U. S.

If there had never been revolutions in China and Nicaragua, the American vaudeville world would be shy two very capable entertainers. They are Princess Jue Quong Tai, late of Peking; and Don Alfonso Zelaya, formerly of Managua, Nicaragua.

The Princess just couldn't stand it in China when a Republic was instituted and her family lost a flock of titles that had been part of the household for a few thousand years. And couldn't see being just plain "Miss"—or whatever the Chinese equivalent is. So she left the country flat and hiked it to the good old U. S. A. and started to earn her living in vaudeville. She had attained considerable honor as a prima donna in her own country, and she turned her talents loose in vaudeville agencies here. Now she is a headliner in the vaudeville and isn't worrying so much about affairs in China.

Young Mr. Zelaya used to have a soft job as son of the president of Nicaragua. He awoke one day to find that the revolutionists had been busy again and he was the son of an ex-president. He found that such a job isn't much of a paying proposition and is about the most inconspicuous place a fellow can hold. So he, too, hopped to New York and showed vaudeville magnates his prowess as a pianist. Result, he's a big card in the vaudeville now.

Both Princess Jue Quong Tai and young Mr. Zelaya can swap views on revolutions and such during their spare time at Poll's, this week, where they are featured in the vaudeville bill.

STOCKS OF POTATOES JAN. 1

Unusually small stocks of potatoes were held on Jan. 1 in the important potato-producing states, according to reports of correspondents of the Bureau of Crop Estimates. This is the reverse of conditions a year ago. Then, stocks were unusually large and southern potato growers who compete in the spring months with stocks carried over in the northern states were warned to expect the low prices which prevailed last spring.

Supplies on hand Jan. 1, 1916, for market, are estimated to be about 33 per cent. smaller than a year ago, 15 per cent. smaller than two years ago, 30 per cent. smaller than three years ago, but 16 per cent. larger than four years ago.

If, for the purpose of comparison, the estimates in percentages of marketable stocks of potatoes on Jan. 1 to be applied to the estimates of total production, it shows, in the states included (which produced 56 per cent. of the 1915 crop and 78 per cent. of the 1914 crop of the United States), a total of 105,346,000 bushels Jan. 1, 1916, compared with 169,554,000 a year ago, 123,292,000 two years ago, 149,846,000 three years ago and 80,778,000 four years ago. These figures indicate that southern growers need not fear a burdensome competition with northern stocks of potatoes this spring. The United States seldom imports or exports relatively a large quantity of potatoes. Therefore, the European war has no material direct influence upon the potato market of the United States.

George Casibray, aged 105, died at his home at Mobile.

On Sale Tuesday

Meat Department

Fresh Pork Chops, 15c per lb.

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Notice to Personal Taxpayers.

Notice is hereby given to the personal tax payers of the City of Bridgeport that the PERSONAL TAX on the list of 1915 is due and payable Feb. 1st, 1916, at the Tax Collectors Office, Room 6, City Hall. The undersigned will be at his office Feb. 1st, 1916, and daily thereafter, Sundays excepted from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. and Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m. for the purpose of collecting said tax.

HOWARD F. SMITH, Tax Collector.

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Sacrifice Sale Horses, Carriages, Wagons etc

The Peck & Lines Co. of Bridgeport retiring from the Horse, Carriage and Livery business, announce that beginning Monday, Jan. 24, they will sacrifice their entire stock consisting of 160 new carriages, wagons, sleighs, etc., also livery stock of 5 well matched pair of horses, 32 single horses, 1 hearse, 7 coaches, 7 coupes, 6 surreys, 3 runabouts, 18 business wagons, 20 other wagons. Single and double harness, etc., at from 20 to 40 per cent less than regular prices. Our loss will be your gain as we must dispose of the stock regardless of price.

We will continue to carry a full line of horse, stable and automobile supplies and maintains a well equipped garage for storage, repair and painting of automobiles.

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